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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

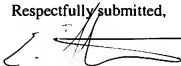
Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Please consider and enter the previously submitted Response to Final Office Action filed November 10, 2006 and received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 14, 2007.

This RCE is submitted in support of the Notice of Appeal filed on January 10, 2007 by the Applicant to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Examiner's final rejection of claims 42-58. The Applicant notes that the appeal filed January 10, 2007 was received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on January 16, 2007, thereby giving the Applicant a period for filing set to expire on March 16, 2006. Filed herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time requesting a one-month extension, thereby giving the undersigned until April 16, 2007 to respond.

Please contact the undersigned attorney with any questions concerning this request or the above-identified patent application.

Respectfully submitted,



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